

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image sending method comprising the steps of:  
selecting and setting a sending mode for sending image data from plural types of sending modes;  
setting an image quality for the image data to be sent;  
selecting and setting a resolution corresponding to the selected image quality from a range of applicable resolutions for the selected sending mode; and  
sending the image data of the selected resolution by the selected sending mode.
2. The image sending method set forth in Claim 1, wherein:  
the resolution corresponding to the selected image quality is selected and set by referring to a resolution setting table which indicates correspondence between (i) an index which is a single or plural indices of the image quality common to the plural types of sending modes and (ii) a range of applicable resolutions of each sending mode.
3. The image sending method set forth in Claim 2, wherein:  
the image quality of the image data to be sent is

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set according to the index which is selected by a user from a plurality of displayed indices.

4. The image sending method set forth in Claim 1, wherein:

the sending mode for sending image data is selected and set from plural types of sending modes based on sending destination information which is inputted or selected by a user.

5. The image sending method set forth in Claim 1, wherein:

the image data is processed to match the selected resolution.

6. The image sending method set forth in Claim 1, wherein:

the image data is created by reading an image, so as to match the selected resolution.

7. An image sending device comprising:

sending mode setting means for selecting and setting a sending mode for sending image data from plural types of sending modes;

image quality setting means for setting an image

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quality for the image data to be sent; and

resolution setting means for selecting and setting a resolution corresponding to the image quality set by said image quality setting means, from a range of applicable resolutions for the sending mode set by said sending mode setting means.

8. The image sending device set forth in Claim 7 wherein:

said resolution setting means refers to a resolution setting table which stores a range of applicable resolutions of each sending mode, with a corresponding index which is a single or plural indices of the image quality common to the plural types of sending modes.

9. The image sending device set forth in Claim 8, further comprising:

display means for displaying the plural indices; and  
input means for enabling a user to input one of the plural indices,

wherein:

said image quality setting means sets the image quality according to the index which is inputted by the input means.

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10. The image sending device set forth in Claim 7, further comprising:

input means for enabling a user to input or select sending destination information,

wherein:

said sending mode setting means selects and sets the sending mode based on the sending destination information inputted or selected through the input means.

11. The image sending device set forth in Claim 7, further comprising:

image data processing means for processing the image data based on the resolution set by said resolution setting means, into a form suitable for the sending mode set by said sending mode setting means.

12. The image sending device set forth in Claim 7, further comprising:

image reading means for reading an image based on the resolution set by the resolution setting means, so as to create image data.

13. An image sending device comprising:

a sending route setting section for selecting and setting a sending route from plural image sending routes;

an image quality setting section for setting an image quality of a sending image;

a processing contents setting section for setting processing contents which corresponds to the image sending route set by said sending route setting section and the image quality set by said image quality setting section;

an image processing section for processing the image to create the sending image based on the processing contents set by said processing contents setting section; and

an image sending section for sending the sending image via the image sending route set by said sending route setting section.

14. The image sending device set forth in Claim 13, wherein:

the image quality set by said image quality setting section is commonly used for the plural image sending routes.

15. The image sending device set forth in Claim 14, further comprising:

a storage section for storing a processing contents setting table which stores processing contents

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corresponding to each of the plural image sending routes and the image quality.

16. The image sending device set forth in Claim 15, further comprising:

a display section for displaying the image quality which exists as plural image qualities; and

an input section for enabling a user to input one of the plural image qualities,

wherein:

said image quality setting section selects and sets the image quality inputted through the input section.

17. The image sending device set forth in Claim 13, further comprising:

a sending destination input section for enabling a user to input or select sending destination information,

wherein:

said sending route setting section selects and sets the sending route from the plural image sending routes based on the sending destination information inputted or selected through the sending destination input section.

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